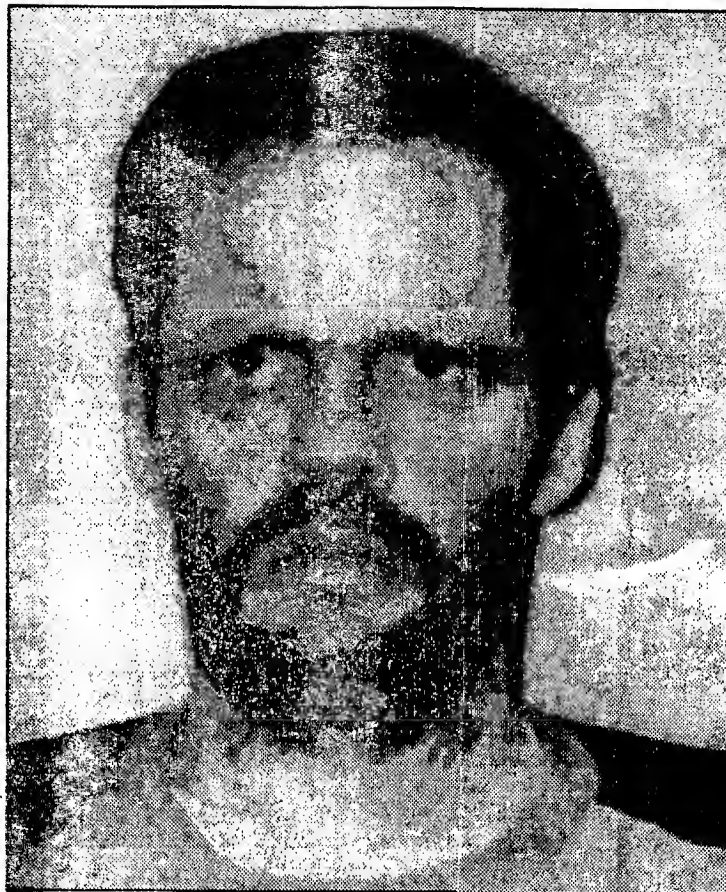


AT THE CENTER OF THE STORM

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THE AMERICANS



Terry A. Anderson, 43

Held by: *Islamic Jihad*

Anderson, the chief Middle East correspondent for the Associated Press, was kidnapped by gunmen March 16, 1985, on his way home from a game of tennis. The kidnapping was over in 45 seconds; his captivity has lasted more than six years—longer than any other Western hostage in Lebanon.

Frank Reed, an American hostage freed last year, saw Anderson in early 1989. Brian Keenan, an Irish hostage freed in August 1990, saw him "some time ago" and described him "in good form."

Anderson was born in Ohio and worked as a radio and television reporter in the Midwest before joining the Associated Press on temporary assignment in 1974. He worked for the agency in New York, Tokyo and South Africa before being sent to Lebanon to cover the 1982 Israeli invasion. He was named chief correspondent for the region in 1983. Anderson's father and brother died during his captivity. He has a 6-year-old daughter, Salome, whom he has never seen.

Thomas Sutherland, 60

Held by: *Islamic Jihad*

The Scottish-born dean of agriculture at the American University of Beirut, was kidnapped June 9, 1985, after gunmen shot out the windshield and tires of the limousine carrying him from Beirut International Airport to the university. He was the third university official to be kidnapped.

Sutherland received a science degree from Glasgow University in Scotland before moving to the United States in the 1950s. He later earned a master's degree and PhD from Iowa State University, and joined the faculty of Colorado State University as an animal sciences professor. He lived in Beirut for two years and was returning to the city from the United States when he was abducted.

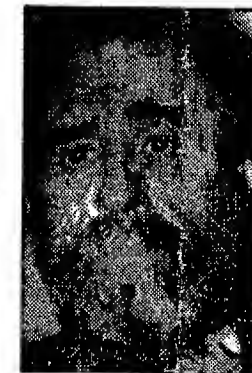
Sutherland and his wife have three daughters.

Joseph James Cicippio, 60

Held by: *Revolutionary Justice Organization*

Cicippio, a native of Norristown, Pa., was acting comptroller at the American University of Beirut when he was grabbed by gunmen at the door to his campus apartment Sept. 12, 1986, and bundled into the trunk of a waiting car. Witnesses told police that kidnappers hit Cicippio in the back of the head with a pistol butt and dragged him away. Police reported finding bloodstains and his broken eyeglasses.

Cicippio spent 22 years working for the American Bank and Trust Co. in Reading, Pa. He moved to Beirut in 1984, converted to Islam and married Ilham Ghandour, a Lebanese woman who worked for the U.S. Embassy. Friends said they warned Cicippio against living in Beirut, but he was determined to stay and convinced that his conversion to Islam would protect him from harm. Cicippio has seven children from a previous marriage.



Edward Austin Tracy, 60

Held by: *Revolutionary Justice Organization*

Tracy, a self-described poet and author of children's books, disappeared in Moslim West Beirut Oct. 21, 1986. The Revolutionary Justice Organization later claimed to have kidnapped him.

Born in Rutland, Vt., Tracy flunked out of the University of Pennsylvania Law School and spent most of his adult life traveling. At the time of his disappearance, Tracy's mother said she had not seen her son for 21 years, and heard from him only sporadically. The U.S. Embassy in Beirut said Tracy had lived in Beirut for at least 10 years when he disappeared. He reportedly wandered the streets of the city, selling books, encyclopedias and volumes of poetry he wrote about Lebanon.

He is divorced and has three children.

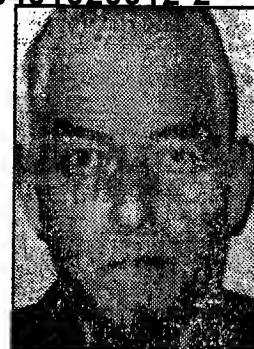
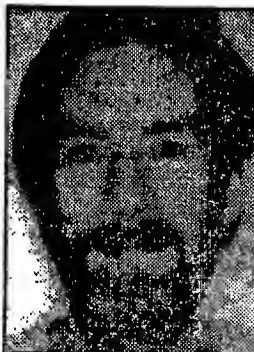
Alann Steen, 52

Held by: *Oppressed of the Earth and Islamic Jihad*

Steen, a journalism professor at Beirut University College, was kidnapped from the campus by gunmen Jan. 24, 1987, as his wife looked on. Months before the abduction, Steen told friends he would leave Lebanon because life had become too chaotic there. He deliberately moved from his apartment to campus housing when conditions in the city deteriorated.

Originally from Boston, Steen served with the Marine Corps in the Far East during the Vietnam War. He lectured in journalism at two California universities before moving to Beirut in 1983 and marrying Virginia Rose, an art history instructor at Beirut University College.

Steen has two daughters from a previous marriage.



Jesse Jonathan Turner, 44

Held by: *Oppressed of the Earth and Islamic Jihad*

Turner, a visiting professor of mathematics and computer science at Beirut University College, was kidnapped from the campus with Steen on Jan. 24, 1987, as his wife looked on. His abductors were disguised as members of Lebanon's Internal Security Force.

A native of Boise, Idaho, Turner received a doctorate in mathematics from the University of Idaho in 1981, and taught at the University of Hawaii and at California State University, San Bernardino. He moved to Lebanon in 1983.

Turner's wife, who was born in Lebanon, gave birth to the couple's first child five months after her husband's abduction.

THE OTHERS

■ BRITISH

Alec Coilett, 69: New York-based journalist on assignment with the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, kidnapped March 25, 1985.

John McCarthy, 34: Cameraman for London-based Worldwide Television News agency, kidnapped April 17, 1986.

Terry Waite, 52: Envoy from the Church of England, disappeared Jan. 20, 1987, while trying to negotiate the release of Western hostages.

Jack Mann, 77: Retired airline pilot, missing since May 12, 1989, lived in Beirut for nearly 50 years.

■ ITALIAN

Alberto Molinari, 71: Italian businessman, kidnapped Sept. 11, 1985, and presumed dead.

■ GERMAN

Heinrich Struebig, 50, and Thomas Kemptner, 29: German relief workers, kidnapped May 16, 1989.

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